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Assignee: Symantec Operating Corporation

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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated March 20, 2009, having a shortened statutory period expiring on June 22, 2009 (June 20, 2009 being a Saturday). Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.

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